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HARDING CABINET OPEN TO POSSIBLE READJUSTMENTS

Formal Announcement Delayed Until Three Posts Are Accepted.

plied conditions under which he in-

things Mr. Harding chiefly wants done in that department.

However, Mr. Harding has delayed his formal announcement of Mr. Hoover's appointment until he receives the outline of the programme Mr. Hoover has in mind. At 6 o'clock to-might Mr. Harding indicated that Mr. Hoover's communication had not been received. The New York Herald sent to Mr. Harding a copy of Mr. Hoover's statement. The President-elect read it and replied:

"There really is nothing 1 can say until 1 have received Mr. Hoover's in mind. I hover's the first that had been directed against one or two of his Cabinet selections. He had remarked that everything was going splendidly and that he was thoroughly satisfied with the Cabinet situation when a correspondent asked if he cared to make any reply to the criticism of his appointment of Harry M. Daugherty as Attorney-General.

"None at all," Mr. Harding replied.

"But since you have raised the question I will say that I think criticism of an appointment of performance is unjust and unfair. Unfortunately it is one of our customs, but criticism in advance of performance that carries with it imputation and instruction which performance that carries with it imputation and instruction which remarked that everything was going splendidly and that he was thoroughly satisfied with the Cabinet selections. He had rewarked that everything was going splendidly and that he was thoroughly satisfied with the Cabinet selections. He had rewarked that everything was going splendidly and that he was thoroughly satisfied with the Cabinet selections. He had rewarked that everything was going splendidly and that he was thoroughly satisfied with the Cabinet selections. He had rewarked that everything was going splendidly and that he was thoroughly satisfied with the Cabinet selections. He had rewarked that everything was going splendidly and that he was thoroughly satisfied with the Cabinet selections. He had rewarked that everything was going splendidly and that he was thoroughly satisfied that the cabinet selections. He

Earlier in the day, when a message outlining Mr. Hoover's attitude was shown to him, Mr. Harding indicated that he had no previous knowledge of what Mr. Hoover's response to his offer

what Mr. Hoover's response to his offer of a Cabinet place might be.
The outstanding impression gleaned from Mr. Harding's disclosures to-day of the Cabinet situation was that his tentative slate is flexible enough for him to make practically any adjustment he might desire at the last moment. It is a fact also in connection with the Commerce portfolio that the uncertainty which had prevailed in connection with the consideration of Mr. Hoover's name stimulated the activities of the friends.

the consideration of Mr. Hoover's name stimulated the activities of the friends of John Hays Hammond, who would like to see him appointed to the place. More than 100 telegrams from California and other Western States were received at the Harding headquarters before noon to-day urging Mr. Hammond's appointment.

Except in the case of Charles E. Hughes and Harry M. Daugherty, who are to be Secretary of State and Aitorney-General, respectively, no tender of any other place in the Administration has been made beyond the point where Mr. Harding may not yet, if he should find it necessary, exercise his should find it necessary, exercise his prerogative and withdraw it.

Way Open for Readjustment.

On the other hand, there is every on the other hand, there is every indication that the Cabinet list that will be sent to the Senate for confirma-tion will be as it has been forecast. It had been generally assumed, with good reason, that at least seven definite Cabi-

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nouncement of the complete Cabinet. It is necessary, Mr. Harding said, that it should be so. He has in mind the experience of former Presidents and does not intend to leave the door open for HUGHES CLOSING UP any similar embarrassment,

mot intend to leave the door open for any similar embarransment.

Mr. Harding reminded the newspaper correspondents that Mr. Hoover was engaged in very important work, and that in the whole business of Cabinet making problems arose with regard to acceptance as well as with appointments. Mr. Hoover, he intimated, would naturally have to consider the problems that would confront him with regard to continuation of his relief work in Europe before he would feel justified in turning that over to other hunds.

At this point Mr. Harding was shown a message stating that Mr. Hoover had announced that he would accept the Secretaryship of Commerce if he would be permitted to continue his relief work and if it was to be the understanding that he might reconstruct the department and bring it to the place of importance in the Government which he thinks it should have. The message indicated that Mr. Hoover had these two conditions and that the decision lay with Mr. Harding.

When he read the message Mr. Harding will be has been connected. He spoke particularly of regret at resigning from the presidency of the Legal Aid Society.

"I shall go to Washington Early Next Week.

Charles E. Hughes was in the city cannouncement of his acceptance of the post of Secretary of State in President Harding's Cabinet.

"Of course," he said, "I shail not be in a position to discuss any matters connected with the State Department until I have taken up my duties. That applies to any announcements in regard to other whe are to be connected with the department."

During the day Mr. Hughes was busy closing up his personal affairs and arrainging to retire from interests with which he has been connected. He spoke particularly of regret at resigning from the presidency of the Legal Aid Society.

"I shall go to Washington. to remain, early next week," said Mr. Hughes. "My family will move there as soon as practicable. Any changes in the law firm of Hughes, Rounds, Schurman & Dwight will be announced by them."

ing said: "Well, that's more news ticable, Any changes in the law firm of A telephone call interrupted the con-ersation and left the situation for the will be announced by them."

ITALIANS BOLSTER ALLIED STAND ON REPARATIONS

Germans' Latest Counter Proposals Remain Mystery, Although Delegation to London Conference Has Been Announced From Berlin.

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New York Herald Bureau, 1
London, Feb. 24.

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dicated he would accept the commerce portfolio, describe the very things Mr. Harding chiefly wants done in the department of apartment to day to deliver a few observations inspired by the criticism that

"There really is nothing I can say until I have received Mr. Hoover's communication."

Slate Still Flexible.

Earlier in the day, when a message outlining Mr. Hoover's attitude was until be a still be and instinuation which tends to destroy public confidence is a menace to popular government. My Admithstration expects to be criticized, and if we do wrong we will deserve it. That is how it should be."

Edwin Denby of Detroit, who is Mr. Hoover's attitude was leaved to be a supplied to the control of the control

Harding's selection for Secretary of the, Navy, is expected to arrive to-night or early to-morrow. Announcement of Mr. Denby's appointment may follow their

WADSWORTH PLEASED WITH HARDING CABINET

No New York Federal Jobs So

Far Decided Upon. worth, Jr., last night said there were hosts of names on the lists for Federal patronage in New York, but not a single

place had been settled.

"It is really impossible to do anything," he said, "until the Cabinet is definitely formed. Naturally the heads of the various departments will have a great deal to say about all of these places."

'I fink the Fresident-siect has done very well," said the Senator, when asked how he was pleased with the Cabinet.
"None whatever," was the reply when asked if he thought there would be any trouble over the confirmation of Cabinet.

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the Premiers of the other two leading world Powers.

Especial interest centred on reports of astonishment felt in St. Augustine over the matter in view of the positive assurances given President-elect Harding by Thomas W. Lamont that the new Administration would not be embarrassed by any financial arrangements previously made in dealing with the allied debt situation.

Among officials of the Wilson Administration there was evident resentment

TASK FOR HARDING

Asked how these conferences are to be

conducted Mr. Daugherty said: "I think

many men as he can confer with on

ing is that he wishes to insure coopera-tion to the end that what is to be done

Lodge, First Vice-President Duncan of the American Federation of Labor had a brief interview with the future At-torney-General. This led to a rumor that pressure is being brought to bear to have Duncan named Secretary of Labor in the place of James J. Davis.

Mr. Harding's idea is, after his inaugu-

doated in this country more than a year ago called attention to the agreement. State Department officials also made the formal statement that excepting the Belgian loan President Wilson had made

tion to the end that what is to be done may be accomplished promptly."

Mr. Daugherty said April 4, while not definitely fixed as the date of the extra session, probably will be the time. Congress will be reconvened. He believes the special session of the Senate already called by Fresident Wilson may extend through the most of March. Among other things beside confirmations of appointments to be made after the early conferences he suggested that consideration might be given to the Colombian treaty, a subject that has been a matter of controvery in Congress for six years or more.

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During Mr. Daugherty's visit to the ITALY SEEKS TO FUND

That and Similar Problems to Be Left to Harding.

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Among officials of the Wilson Administration there was evident resenting to the property said, "there will be a conference in regard to a programme and certain politicals of Mr. Harding. What the country wants and expects is relief and a substantial step toward correcting things that the recent election indicated the people expected to be corrected. We want to get down to business. It is this rather than particular appointments that the country is interested in:

Asked how these conferences are to be

this programme and the policies still to be outlined and how to enforce them. He may call them individually or collectively in groups, but my understand-

is free to deal with the allied leans as it sees fit.

This opinion is not entertained by Senators who profess to see in the Bei-gian agreement a plan to draw the

ITS BIG DEBT TO U. S.

of the allied war debts into long term obligations would be left to the Harding Administration.

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Sir Auckland Geddes, the British Ambassador, who is understood to have discussed the British debt to the United States during his recent visit home, has not had any conferences with Treasury officials since his return, Mr. Houston said. He added that although France was reported to be sending a financial commission here, no negotiations would be entered into by this Administration.

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